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SUBJECT: ITALY'S INTERIM RESPONSE: ATTENDANCE AT 64TH UN
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

REF: STATE 68590

(SBU) Following is an interim response regarding GOI
attendance at the 64th UN General Assembly. Post will
continue to engage the MFA in an effort to obtain additional
attendance information and report same
as soon as available:

1A. Attendance of the Head of State:

-- No plan to attend.

1B. Attendance of Head of Government:

-- Post has received unofficial notification from Leonardo
Bencini, MFA UN desk officer, that Silvio Berlusconi,
President of the Council of Ministers (popularly referred to
as Prime Minister), will attend the 64th UN General Assembly.

-- Arrival/departure info pending

-- Spouse not traveling.

-- Interpretation info pending

1C. Attendance of the Foreign Minister:

-- Post has received unofficial notification from Giuseppe
Fedele, First Secretary on the FM's staff, that Foreign
Minister Frattini will attend.

-- Arrive in New York September 20, depart New York evening
of September 25.

-- May be traveling with companion. Details pending.

-- Interpretation not likely to be requested.

1D. Attendance of other VIPs:

-- Chief Diplomatic Advisor Min. Bruno Archi will likely
attend to accompany PM Berlusconi. Details pending.

-- Chief Aide Dr. Valentino Valentini will likely attend to
accompany PM Berlusconi. Details pending.

1E. Attendance of Foreign Ministry officials responsible for
IO affairs:

-- MFA Undersecretary Vincenzo Scotti will likely attend to
accompany FM Frattini. Details pending.

-- Chief of Staff, Amb. Alain Economides will likely attend
to accompany FM Frattini. Details pending.

-- Chief Press Officer/Spokesman Min. Maurizion Massari will likely attend to accompany FM Frattini. Details pending.
-- Political Director Amb. Sandro De Bernardin will likely attend to accompany FM Frattini. Details pending.
-- Director General of Multilateral Political Cooperation Min. Luca Giansanti will likely attend. Details pending.

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